<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 17-78 were pending up to this Amendment and Election.

Claims 17-78 are subject to a restriction requirement.

Claims 17-21 and 43-58 are cancelled.

Claims 22-42 and 59-78 are pending as a result of this Amendment and Election. In the restriction required in the Office Action dated 7/13/04, the Examiner identified these claims as "Group II" claims "drawn to method of providing a layer on a semiconductor, classified in class 438, subclass 699." This election is without traverse.

Conclusion

In light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the claims are allowable. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of all of the pending claims. If there are any matters which may be resolved or clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the number indicated.

Respectfully submitted,

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